IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

David B. SMITH

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2004 and is accompanied by a petition and fee for a three-month extension of time, which resets the deadline for response to September 24, 2004.